

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AUDIT EXAMINATION OF THE MEADE COUNTY FISCAL COURT

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

AUDIT EXAMINATION OF THE MEADE COUNTY FISCAL COURT

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

The Auditor of Public Accounts has completed the Meade County Fiscal Court audit for fiscal year ended June 30, 2000. We have issued an unqualified opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. Based upon the audit work performed, the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.

Financial Condition:

Fund balances increased by \$2,160,975 from the prior fiscal year, resulting in a cash surplus of \$4,301,037 as of June 30, 2000. Revenues increased by \$4,765,590 from the prior year and disbursements increased by \$3,115,917.

Report Comment:

• Fiscal Court Should Require Improved Accounting Procedures For The Jail Canteen Fund

Deposits:

The fiscal court's deposits were insured and collateralized by bank securities or bonds.

Debt Obligations:

Total bonded debt principal as of June 30, 2000, was \$5,330,000. Future collections of \$8,413,660 are needed over the next 20 years to pay all bonded debt principal and interest.

Capital lease principal agreements totaled \$683,000 as of June 30, 2000. Future principal and interest payments of \$1,040,739 are needed to meet these obligations.

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Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities, and fund balances arising from cash transactions of Meade County, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2000, and the related statement of cash receipts, cash disbursements, and changes in cash balances for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Meade County Fiscal Court. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for Fiscal Court Audits issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Meade County, Kentucky, prepares its financial statements on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the modified cash basis and laws of Kentucky, which is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under this basis of accounting, assets, liabilities, and related revenues and expenditures are recorded when they result from cash transactions, with a few exceptions. This modified cash basis recognizes revenues when received, except for the recording of long-term receivables and deferred revenue. Expenditures are recognized when paid, except for the recording of long-term obligations and amounts to be provided in future years. The modified cash basis accounting system does not require an entity to maintain a general fixed asset group or a general long-term debt group of accounts.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities, and fund balances arising primarily from cash transactions as of June 30, 2000 of Meade County, Kentucky, and the revenues received and expenditures paid for the year then ended, in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting described above.

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In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated July 19, 2001 on our consideration of Meade County, Kentucky's internal control over financial reporting and on our test of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Governmental Auditing Standards</u> and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The accompanying financial information listed as supporting schedules in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements of Meade County, Kentucky. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Based on the results of our audit, we present the accompanying comment and recommendation, included herein, which discusses the following report comment:

• Fiscal Court Should Require Improved Accounting Procedures For The Jail Canteen Fund

Respectfully submitted,

Edward B. Hatchett, Jr. Auditor of Public Accounts

Audit fieldwork completed - July 19, 2001

MEADE COUNTY OFFICIALS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

Fiscal Court Members:

Mark S. Brown County Judge/Executive

Charles E. Coghill Magistrate

M. Jean McNally Magistrate

Charles Baker Magistrate

Irv Spencer Magistrate

Troy Seelye Magistrate

Kent Allen Magistrate

Other Elected Officials:

Darren A. Sipes County Attorney

Earl T. Smith Jailer

Katherine Mercer County Clerk

Debbie Medley Circuit Court Clerk

Joseph E. Greer Sheriff

Mark J. Straney Property Valuation Administrator

William R. Adams Coroner

Appointed Personnel:

Shirley Fackler County Treasurer
Rachel Clark Finance Officer
Anna Roberts Payroll Officer
Jim Roberts Road Supervisor
Tim Livers 911 Administrator

Charles Reesor Jail Administrative Assistant



STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS

\$ 4,301,037

MEADE COUNTY STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS

June 30, 2000

Assets and Other Resources		
<u>Assets</u>		
General Fund Type		
General Fund:		
Cash	\$ 222,400	
Investments	1,200,000	
Road and Bridge Fund:		
Cash	33,077	
Investments	400,000	
Jail Fund:		
Cash	28,237	
Local Government Economic Assistance Fund:		
Cash	109,142	
Investments	100,000	
Ambulance Service Fund:		
Cash	36,275	
Meade-Olin Park Fund:		
Cash	4,483	
Payroll Revolving Account - Cash	37,314	\$ 2,170,928
Capital Projects Fund Type		
Jail Construction Account - Construction Fund		
Cash	1,345,053	
Investments	480,000	1,825,053
	,	1,020,000
Debt Service Fund Type		
Jail Construction Account - Bond Proceeds Fund Cash		 305,056

Total Assets

MEADE COUNTY STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS June 30, 2000 (Continued)

Assets and Other Resources (Continued)

Other Resources

General Fund Type

General Fund:

Amounts to be Provided in Future Years for Capital Lease Payments (Note 5) \$ 683,000

Debt Service Fund Type

Jail Construction Account - Bond Proceeds Fund:

Amounts to be Provided in Future Years for Bond Principal Payments (Note 4) 5,330,000

Total Assets and Other Resources \$ 10,314,037

Liabilities and Fund Balances

Liabilities

General Fund Types

General Fund:

Capital Lease Obligation (Note 5)

Payroll Revolving Account - Cash 37,314 \$ 720,314

Debt Service Fund Types

Jail Construction Account - Bond Proceeds Fund:

Bond Principal Not Matured (Note 4)

5,330,000

683,000

MEADE COUNTY STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS June 30, 2000 (Continued)

Liabilities and Fund Balances (Continued)

Fund Balances

Reserved:

<u>Debt Service Fund Type</u>

Jail Construction Account - Construction Fund \$ 1,825,053

Capital Projects Fund Type

Jail Construction Account - Bond Proceeds Fund 305,056

<u>Unreserved:</u>

General Fund Type

General Fund	\$ 1,422,400	
Road and Bridge Fund	433,077	
Jail Fund	28,237	
Local Government Economic Assistance Fund	209,142	
Ambulance Service Fund	36,275	
Meade-Olin Park Fund	 4,483	2,133,614
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances		\$ 10.314.037



STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES

MEADE COUNTY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

General	Fund	Types
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Cash Receipts	(M	Totals emorandum Only)	dum General Fund		Road and Bridge Fund	<u>J</u>	ail Fund	
Schedule of Operating Revenue Transfers In Bond Proceeds	\$	4,330,634 915,950 5,116,800	\$	2,123,251 507,950	\$ 950,494	\$	218,226 408,000	The
Total Cash Receipts	\$	10,363,384	\$	2,631,201	\$ 950,494	\$	626,226	
Cash Disbursements		acc	omj	panying not	re an integ statements	•	part of the	financial
Comparative Schedule of Final Budget and Budgeted Expenditures Transfers Out Bonds:	\$	7,128,335 915,950	\$	1,881,130 408,000	\$ 997,281	\$	760,079	
Interest Paid		123,293						
Capital Lease Agreement: Principal on Lease		30,000		30,000	 			
Total Cash Disbursements	\$	8,197,578	\$	2,319,130	\$ 997,281	\$	760,079	
Excess (Deficiency) of Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements Cash Balance - July 1, 1999 *	\$	2,165,806 2,097,917	\$	312,071 1,110,329	\$ (46,787) 479,864	\$	(133,853) 162,090	
Cash Balance - June 30, 2000 *	\$	4,263,723	\$	1,422,400	\$ 433,077	\$	28,237	

^{*} Cash Balance Includes Investments

MEADE COUNTY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000 (Continued)

			General F	und T	Sypes				Capital Projects und Type		Debt Service and Type
	Local							C	Jail onstruction	Co	Jail nstruction
Go	vernment			N	Aeade-				Account		Account
	conomic	A	mbulance	-	Olin	F	Federal				Bond
A	ssistance	;	Service		Park	(Grants	Co	onstruction	P	roceeds
	Fund		Fund		Fund		Fund		Fund		Fund
\$	203,629	\$	354,529	\$	35,265	\$	15,000	\$	400,801	\$	29,439
									4,717,890		398,910
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\$	203,629	\$	354,529	\$	35,265	\$	15,000	\$_	5,118,691	\$	428,349
\$	190,600	\$	348,406	\$	43,551	\$	15,000	\$	3,284,245 115,993	\$	
											123,293
\$	190,600	\$	348,406	\$	43,551	\$	15,000	\$	3,400,238	\$	123,293
\$	13,029 196,113	\$	6,123 30,152	\$	(8,286) 12,769	\$		\$	1,718,453 106,600	\$	305,056
\$	209,142	\$	36,275	\$	4,483	\$		\$	1,825,053	\$	305,056

MEADE COUNTY NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2000

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The financial statements of Meade County include the funds, agencies, boards, and entities for which the fiscal court is financially accountable. Financial accountability, as defined by Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, as amended by GASB 14, was determined on the basis of the government's ability to significantly influence operations, select the governing authority, participate in fiscal management and the scope of public service. Based upon the application of the criteria stated in GASB 14, there are no component units which merit consideration as part of the reporting entity.

Additional - Meade County Constitutional Elected Officials

- Circuit Court Clerk
- County Attorney
- County Clerk
- County Sheriff
- Property Valuation Administrator

The Kentucky constitution provides for election of the above officials from the geographic area constituting Meade County. Pursuant to state statute, these officials perform various services for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, its judicial courts, the fiscal court, various cities and special districts within the county, and the board of education. In exercising these responsibilities, however, they are required to comply with state laws. Audits of their financial statements are issued separately and individually and can be obtained from their respective administrative offices.

B. Fund Accounting

Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. The government uses funds to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Meade County Fiscal Court's Fund Types, a definition of each, and county funds included within each fund type are listed below.

1) General Fund Type

General Fund Type accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund type. The Meade County General Fund Type includes the following county funds: General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Jail Fund, Local Government Economic Assistance Fund (LGEA), Ambulance Service Fund, Meade-Olin Park Fund, and Federal Grants Fund.

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

B. Fund Accounting (Continued)

2) Debt Service Fund Type

Debt Service Fund Type accounts for the accumulation of resources for the payment of general long-term debt principal and interest and include funds for the Jail Construction Account - Bond Proceeds Fund. Debt service is provided through semi-annual payments from this fund.

3) Capital Projects Fund Type

Capital Projects Fund Type accounts for financial resources to be used for acquisition of major capital facilities. The Jail Construction Account - Construction Fund of the Fiscal Court is reported as a Capital Projects Fund Type.

C. Basis of Accounting

For all fund types, the county utilizes a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under this basis of accounting, assets, liabilities, and related revenues and expenditures are recorded when they result from cash transactions, with a few exceptions. This modified cash basis recognizes revenues when received, except for the recording of long-term receivables and deferred revenue. Expenditures are recognized when paid, except for the recording of long-term obligations and amounts to be provided in future years.

D. Legal Compliance - Budget

The Meade County budget is adopted on a cash basis of accounting and according to the laws of Kentucky as required by the State Local Finance Officer. The County Judge/Executive is required to submit estimated receipts and proposed expenditures to the fiscal court by May 1 of each year. The budget is prepared by fund, function, and activity and is required to be adopted by the fiscal court by July 1.

The fiscal court may change the original budget by transferring appropriations at the activity level; however, the fiscal court may not increase the total budget without approval by the State Local Finance Officer. Expenditures may not exceed budgeted appropriations at the activity level.

E. Cash and Investments

Cash includes amounts in bank accounts, and investments are stated at cost. Investments may include certificates of deposit on the financial statements; however, for the purpose of disclosing credit risk (Note 3), investments exclude certificates of deposit.

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

E. Cash and Investments (Continued)

KRS 66.480 authorizes the county to invest in the following, including but not limited to, obligations of the United States and of its agencies and instrumentalities, obligations and contracts for future delivery or purchase of obligations backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, obligations of any corporation of the United States government, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of this state, and certificates of deposit issued by or other interest-bearing accounts of any bank or savings and loan institution which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or which are collateralized, to the extent uninsured, by any obligation permitted by KRS 41.240(4).

F. Related Organizations

A related organization is an entity for which a primary government is not financially accountable. It does not impose will or have a financial benefit or burden relationship, even if the primary government appoints a voting majority of the related organization's governing board. Based on these criteria, the following are considered related organizations of Meade County Fiscal Court:

Meade County Tourism Commission
Meade County Water District
Meade County Planning and Zoning Commission

Meade County Fire Departments Meade County Conservation District Meade County Library District

Note 2. Employee Retirement System

The county has elected to participate in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS), pursuant to KRS 78.530 administered by the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement Systems. This is a multiple-employer public retirement system which covers all eligible full-time employees. Benefit contributions and provisions are established by statute. Nonhazardous covered employees are required to contribute 5 percent of their salary to the plan. The county's contribution rate for nonhazardous employees was 7.28 percent.

Benefits fully vest on reaching five years of service for nonhazardous employees. Aspects of benefits for nonhazardous employees include retirement after 27 years of service or age 65.

Historical trend information showing the CERS' progress in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due is present in the Kentucky Retirement Systems' annual financial report.

Note 3. Deposits

The county maintained deposits of public funds with depository institutions insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). According to KRS 66.480(1)(d) and KRS 41.240(4), the depository institution should pledge or provide sufficient collateral which, together with FDIC insurance, equals or exceeds the amount of public funds on deposit at all times. In order to be valid against the FDIC in the event of failure or insolvency of the depository institution, this pledge or provision of collateral should be evidenced by an agreement between the county and the depository institution, signed by both parties, that is (a) in writing, (b) approved by the board of directors of the depository institution or its loan committee, which approval must be reflected in the minutes of the board or committee, and (c) an official record of the depository institution. These requirements were met, and as of June 30, 2000, the county's deposits were fully insured or collateralized at a 100% level with collateral of either pledged securities held by the county's agent in the county's name, or provided surety bond which named the county as beneficiary/obligee on the bond.

Note 4. Long-Term Debt

As of June 30, 2000, bonds outstanding of the Jail Construction Account – Bond Proceeds Fund are \$5,330,000. The County issued \$5,330,000 of general obligation improvement bonds, series 1999, dated July 1, 1999. Interest is payable semi-annually on July 1 and January 1, at variable interest rates ranging from 3.9% to 4.9%. Principal payments are due annually on July 1, beginning July 1, 2002, and ending on July 1, 2019.

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	 Scheduled Interest	Scheduled Principal		
2001 2002	\$ 246,585 246,585	\$	200.000	
2003 2004 Thereafter	242,685 234,585 2,113,220		200,000 210,000 4,920,000	
Totals	\$ 3,083,660	\$	5,330,000	

Note 5. Capital Lease Agreement

In 1995, the County entered into a capital lease agreement with the Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust Program (KACoLT) for construction of waterlines. The original principal amount was \$795,000 with repayment to be made over a twenty-year period ending in 2015. Principal payments are due annually on January 20, in variable amount; interest plus associated fees is due monthly in variable amounts. As of June 30, 2000, the principal balance of the capital lease agreement is \$683,000.

Fiscal Year	Scheduled		Scheduled		
Ending June 30	Interest and Fees		Principal		
2001	\$ 41,344		\$ 32,000		
2002	39,343		33,000		
2003	37,254		35,000		
2004	35,042		37,000		
Thereafter	204,756		546,000		
Totals	\$	357,739	\$	683,000	

Note 6. Lease-Purchase Agreements

The County has entered into the following lease-purchase agreements with the Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust Program (KACoLT):

Description	Purchase Date	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	An	nount
Solid Waste Equipment	02/11/1997	03/01/2007	4.25%	\$	35,415
Sheriff Vehicles	10/25/1999	11/20/2003	3.50%		142,126

Note 7. Insurance

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000, Meade County was a member of the Kentucky Association of Counties' All Lines Insurance Fund (KALF). KALF is a self-insurance fund and was organized to obtain lower cost coverage for general liability, property damage, public officials' errors and omissions, public liability, and other damages. The basic nature of a self-insurance program is that of a collectively shared risk by its members. If losses incurred for covered claims exceed the resources contributed by the members, the members are responsible for payment of the excess losses.

Note 8. Meade County Jail Canteen Fund

Jail canteen operations are authorized pursuant to KRS 441.135(1), which allows the jailer to sell snacks, sodas, and other items to inmates. The profits generated from the sale of those items are to be used for the benefit or recreation of the inmates. KRS 441.135(2) requires the jailer to maintain accounting records and report annually to the county treasurer the receipts and disbursements of the Jail Canteen. Technical Audit Bulletin 93-002 provides additional accounting and expenditure guidance for acceptable jail canteen operations.

During the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2000, the Meade County Jail Canteen received \$51,538 and expended \$54,547. The Jail Canteen reported June 30 ending balances of \$4,831 and \$1,822 for 1999 and 2000 respectively.



COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF BUDGETED TO ACTUAL OPERATING REVENUE

MEADE COUNTY COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF BUDGETED TO ACTUAL OPERATING REVENUE

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

Budgeted Funds	Budgeted Operating Revenue		Actual Operating Revenue		Over (Under) Budget	
General Fund Type						
General Fund Road and Bridge Fund Jail Fund Local Government Economic Assistance Fund Ambulance Service Fund * Meade-Olin Park Fund *	\$	2,235,818 896,719 218,482 198,000	\$	2,123,251 950,494 218,226 203,629 354,529 35,265	\$	(112,567) 53,775 (256) 5,629 354,529 35,265
Federal Grants Fund		600,000		15,000		(585,000)
Capital Projects Fund Type Jail Construction Account - Construction Fund Debt Service Fund Type Jail Construction Account - Bond Proceeds Fund				400,801 29,439		400,801 29,439
Totals	\$	4,149,019	\$	4,330,634	\$	181,615
Reconciliation						
Total Budgeted Operating Revenue Above Add: Budgeted Prior Year Surplus Budgeted Bond Proceeds Less: Other Financing Uses					\$	4,149,019 858,273 5,330,000 (153,293)
Total Operating Budget Per Comparative Schedule Of Final Budget and Budgeted Expenditures					\$	10,183,999

^{*} Ambulance Fund Receipts and Meade-Olin Park Fund receipts were budgeted in the General Fund.



SCHEDULE OF OPERATING REVENUE

MEADE COUNTY SCHEDULE OF OPERATING REVENUE

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

	Totals (Memorandum Only)	General Fund Type	Capital Projects Fund Type	Debt Service Fund Type
REVENUE:				
Taxes	¢ 1.602.961	\$ 1.603.861	¢	¢
	\$ 1,603,861	+ -,000,000	\$	\$
Excess Fees	168,014	168,014		
License and Permits	67,750	67,750		
Intergovernmental Revenues	1,701,864	1,421,864	280,000	
Charges for Services	443,441	443,441		
Miscellaneous Revenues	116,246	114,746		1,500
Interest Earned	229,458	80,718	120,801	27,939
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 4,330,634	\$ 3,900,394	\$ 400,801	\$ 29,439



COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FINAL BUDGET AND BUDGETED EXPENDITURES

MEADE COUNTY COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FINAL BUDGET AND BUDGETED EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

	GENERAL FUND TY				YPE	PE	
Expenditure Categories	Final Budgeted Budget Expenditures		•	Under (Over) Budget			
General Government Protection to Persons and Property General Health and Sanitation Social Services	\$	653,331 1,702,922 26,155 6,790	\$	587,286 1,443,318 22,746 6,790	\$	66,045 259,604 3,409	
Recreation and Culture Transportation Facilities and Services Roads Bus Service Debt Service Capital Projects		196,120 7,100 949,055 28,000 92,513		117,165 7,073 913,590 16,355 84,338		78,955 27 35,465 11,645 8,175	
Capital Projects Administration		600,000 715,306		15,000 630,429		585,000 84,877	
Total Operating Budget - All General Fund Types	\$	4,977,292	\$	3,844,090	\$	1,133,202	
Other Financing Uses: Capital Lease Agreement- Principal on Lease		30,000		30,000			
TOTAL BUDGET - ALL GENERAL FUND TYPES	\$	5,007,292	\$	3,874,090	\$	1,133,202	
	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TYPE						
Expenditure Categories		Final Budget		Budgeted penditures		Under (Over) Budget	
Capital Projects	\$	5,206,707	\$	3,284,245	\$	1,922,462	
TOTAL BUDGET - CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TYPE	\$	5,206,707	\$	3,284,245	\$	1,922,462	

MEADE COUNTY COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FINAL BUDGET AND BUDGETED EXPENDITURES Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000 (Continued)

		DEBT SERVICE FUND TYPE				
Expenditure Categories	Final Budget		Budgeted Expenditures		Under (Over) Budget	
Other Financing Uses: Bonds - Interest	\$	123,293	\$	123,293	\$	
TOTAL BUDGET - DEBT SERVICE FUND TYPE	\$	123,293	\$	123,293	\$	

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS



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Report On Compliance And On Internal Control
Over Financial Reporting Based On An Audit Of Financial
Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

We have audited the financial statements of Meade County, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated July 19, 2001. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Meade County's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed one instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> which is described in the accompanying comment and recommendation.

• Fiscal Court Should Require Improved Accounting Procedures For The Jail Canteen Fund

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Meade County's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Report On Compliance And On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting Based On An Audit Of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards (Continued)

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than the specified party.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward B. Hatchett, Jr. Auditor of Public Accounts

Audit fieldwork completed - July 19, 2001

COMMENT AND RECOMMENDATION

MEADE COUNTY COMMENT AND RECOMMENDATION

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

REPORTABLE CONDITIONS

None.	
NONCOMPLIANCES	
Fiscal Court Should Require Improved Accounting	g Procedures For The Jail Canteen Fund
Our audit revealed that required financial reports the jail canteen fund. Specifically, although journals, he did not prepare monthly reports as re or submit an annual report to the county treasurer not reconciled to receipt and disbursement jour " the jailer shall keep books of accounts of all shall annually report to the county treasurer on Officer has issued guidelines for minimum accor 68.210 and KRS 441.135 for the jail canteen fur jailer to maintain improved accounting records for reconciliations, and prepare and submit the require	the jailer maintained receipt and disbursement quired by the Department for Local Government. In addition, the jail canteen bank account was nals on a monthly basis. KRS 441.135 states, receipts and disbursements from the canteen and the canteen account." The State Local Finance anting and reporting standards pursuant to KRS and. We recommend the fiscal court require the or the jail canteen fund, including monthly bank
County Judge/Executive's Response:	
Have discussed with Jailer and are in the process available to Co. Treasurer to ensure compliance.	of putting Canteen Fund on our LAN and will be
County Jailer's Response:	
None.	
PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS	
None.	



CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

MEADE COUNTY FISCAL COURT

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC PROGRAM

MEADE COUNTY FISCAL COURT

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

The Meade County Fiscal Court hereby certifies that assistance received from the Local Government Economic Assistance Program was expended for the purpose intended as dictated by the applicable Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Mark SPS www.

County Judge/Executive

Shuley. Packler

County Treasurer